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STATE WELFARE MEETING IS ON

Many Prominent People of the State Are Here to Appear on the Program of the To-Day Session, and Much Interest is Being Taken.

The annual convention of the State Conference for Social Welfare is now on in this city, and will last for two days, Friday and Saturday, there being two programs each day, and of all of which persons of state-wide and some of them of national prominence will participate, among them no follows: Prof. Jerome Dowd, Professor of Sociology of the State University; Dr. Griffith, head of the Norman Insane Asylum; Warden R. W. Dick of the State penitentiary; Miss Gould, head of the Oklahoma Prevident Association; and others.

The purpose of the conference is to discuss social conditions over the State in various State institutions and in private life, and to seek to correct those evil conditions that may be found. A good work is being done by the League, and it merits a willing support and hearty co-operation.

Music for the occasion is being provided by the Normal School Orchestra, chorus and sextette, under the direction of Miss Luck, instructor in voice.

LOTS OF BOOZE CAUGHT AT CABBO BY OFFICERS

Lots of booze was captured at Caddo the other day, but the owner of the captured contraband was not located. Sheriff Phillips found three new cheap suitcases in the smoker of a Katy train which contained 20 gallons of whisky. No owner was in sight. The day before Deputy Dave Wright found one grip load of contraband under similar circumstances. The day after officers found four more grip loads of booze on a train near McAlester. All the booze went the usual route.

BRYAN COUNTY WAS WELL REPRESENTED

Bryan County was well represented at the meeting of County Commissioners of the State held in Oklahoma City this week. The County Clerks also took part in the convention. Among the purposes of the meeting was that of considering the new State Highway law and its operation. County Clerk Harry McCrory and County Commissioners Ed L. Spears and Ben Hultman, and Gray Nickels were there, and all were making an effort to discover how the road system of Bryan County might be improved to the best advantage by the operation of the highway law.

LOCAL COUNCIL OF BOY SCOUTS SELECTED

At a meeting held at the home of Scoutmaster Rev. John Granger on Tuesday night, a council for the local troops of Boy Scouts of America was selected as follows: Mayor Jas. Yarbrough, E. F. Rines, R. E. Powers, Judge V. B. Hayes, G. B. Malone, Hugh Cox, M. M. Wickham, Prof. J. J. Miller, Dr. J. L. Shuler, W. F. Tyron, Senator McIntosh, Chas. McPherson, J. D. Hickman, Sept. Paris, President Faulkner, R. F. Story, C. E. Cochran.

TRADES DAY NOVEMBER 22
Through the media of the Durant Realtors Association, the business people of the city are planning to make Monday, November 22, the biggest marketing day Durant and vicinity has ever seen, and which will be known as Trades Day. Through the co-operative efforts of the various lines of business of the city, a mammoth advertising campaign will be opened up, covering all territories tributary to this city within a radius of a hundred miles, and each business house plans to follow this up with a liberal allotment of advertising of its own.

Working on the theory that a bigger volume of business at a smaller margin of net profit is better for the merchants, as well as for those who must buy the merchandise, special prices, lower than ordinary, will be offered the public on that day, and there will doubtless be taken advantage of in a large way.

JONES GETS FOUR YEARS
Roy Jones entered a plea of guilty before Judge Hatchett to charges of burglary and received a sentence of four years in the penitentiary. He is a brother of Homer and Wilford Jones killed last week in a battle with officers, and it was him they sought to release from the jail the night Jailer Pinson was shot.

E. A. BOYD'S FATHER DIED IN KENTUCKY

Jack Boyd received word Wednesday from his father in Kentucky announcing the death of his grand-father Tuesday at that place. E. A. Boyd received word of his father's serious illness Sunday, and at once left for Mayfield.

CONGRESSMAN CARTER HERE

Congressman Charlie Carter of this district spent Monday and Tuesday in this city, mingling with his friends and attending to matters of business, among other things taking a trip to Achille with W. F. Semple, look at same land. Mr. Carter has been in very poor health this summer, having had two surgical operations, one following the other, but he says he is fast regaining his health and strength.

EX-MAYOR FOOTE HERE THIS WEEK FROM SHERMAN

J. T. Foote, ex-mayor of Sherman, was here on business from Sherman Wednesday. Mr. Foote says he likes Sherman very well as a place in which to live and that his business is progressing nicely.

DENIES RIGHT TO TAX BONDS

Judge Will Linn, of the District Court at Chickasha, has held that the State Board of Equalization had no right to tax the State building bonds. The decision will affect every county in Oklahoma, as, under instructions from the State Board of Equalization, the county boards were instructed to tax the State building bonds which were exempted from taxation by statute.

A number of those bonds are held by Bryan County banks.

ONE CASE REVERSED; ANOTHER AFFIRMED

The Court of Criminal Appeals has upheld down two decisions which were appealed from the County Court of Bryan County. The case of W. A. Cooper, convicted of violating the prohibition law, and given a sentence of sixty days in jail and a fine of \$200, was affirmed.

The case of B. H. Huff, convicted of violating the prohibition law, was reverse and remanded to the lower court for a new trial. He was given a sentence of \$40 and thirty days in jail.

ARRESTED FOR ABANDONMENT

Sheriff Phillips arrested this week one Tom Collins, of this city, who is charged with abandoning his wife and family. Collins was placed in the county jail to await a hearing.

ATTENDED REXALL CONVENTION AT OK. CITY

Sam Stone, of the Stone Drug Co., has been in Oklahoma City this week taking in the annual Rexall State Convention, participated in by the hundred odd Rexall dealers of the state. Mr. Stone was on the program for a talk, during which he told of the great success he experienced in his One-Cent Sale, which ended a few days ago.

PRECICO WINS A CASE

In the district court case of J. B. Clayton vs. The Precico Ry. Co., the jury found for the defendant. Plaintiff sought to recover \$1,200 alleged damages incurred by loss in the shipment of mules. Clinton was represented by Attorneys Crook and Stone and the defendant by McPherson & Cochran.

FAVOR THE CITY MANAGER PLAN

Caucuses in All Four Wards Decide in Favor of This Kind of Government and Elect Freshholders Board to Prepare and Submit Charter.

At Ward meetings held in every ward in this city Monday night all caucuses declared in favor of the city manager plan of government for the city of Durant and each caucus selected for its ward two members of a board of eight freshholders to prepare and submit to the voters of the city a charter for a commission form of city government with the managerial provision included. The freshholders board members selected were as follows:

First Ward—W. A. Webster and H. C. Frye.

Second Ward—J. T. McIntosh and A. L. Beverance.

Third Ward—Jesus M. Hatchett and Chas. McPherson.

Fourth Ward—Porter Newmarch and Horace Marshall.

Those most deeply interested in bringing the city's affairs out of chaos and mess into well regulated business focus, have declared themselves in favor of a strictly non-partisan and non-political charter, providing for the election at large of five men to act as commissioners of the city of Durant without pay. These five men are to employ a thorough business man, schooled in affairs of municipal government, to act as city manager, under the supervision of the five members of the board, who will act as a sort of board of directors. All the city's affairs would thus be in the hands of the manager, with the commissioners there to approve or disapprove of his acts. If the manager did not suit, another could be employed. It is thought best also to select the five commissioners at large, without regard to their political affiliations, the only end being that the five best men in the city be secured if possible.

The charter as submitted three years ago, it is believed, will be changed a few respects to conform with the wishes of the ward meetings and submitted to the voters. Public sentiment, so far as this writer is able to judge, seems much in favor of adopting a commission form of government, with the city manager clause inserted in the charter.

SEND DELEGATES TO THE JEFFERSON HIGHWAY MEET

**25 Expansion Club Will Have Two
Good Men at New Orleans to
Try to Get the Internation-
al Road to Pass Here**

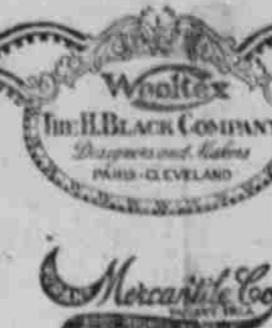
At a special meeting of the 25 Expansion Club held T. Jay night it was decided that the Club would send two delegates to the Jefferson Highway Convention which meets at New Orleans the 15th (Monday) to work with delegates from other cities along the Katy in Oklahoma in an endeavor to pull the highway through Oklahoma, instead of through Arkansas, as it is possible it may go. The Club elected C. O. Johnson, president of the Oklahoma, Texas and Gulf Highway Association, as one of the delegates, and he and the president and secretary of the Club will select another.

A train of special Pullman cars leaves from Kansas City, and will carry all the delegates from all the cities along the Katy between here and Kansas City, the train arriving in New Orleans twenty-four hours before the convention. Regarding the meeting and the highway and the territory it covers, a more detailed description appears in another article in this issue.

DIVORCE DENIED MRS. LEWIS

District Judge Hatchett denied a divorce to Mrs. Sidney Lewis, who sued George A. Lewis for both divorce and custody of two children, although the plaintiff was granted custody of the children until further orders of the court. In commenting upon the case, Judge Hatchett said, in effect, that persons coming into a court of equity for relief should come with clean hands, and that in this case neither the plaintiff nor the prosecution came with clean hands. Lewis has filed a cross petition, also seeking divorce. This is the woman who received a bullet wound in the hands of her husband, who is under sentence to the penitentiary for the act.

The court has disposed of a great number of civil cases this week, and continues in session.



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